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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a patent application of Kenichi Kubo and Akira Hiraoka for a LENS CONTROL APPARATUS, the application comprising a Specification of 27 pages; 7 numbered Claims, including 2 Independent numbered Claims; 18 sheets of Formal Drawings (Figures 1-24); an Abstract and our check in the amount of \$790.00 in payment of the filing fee, which has been calculated as follows: \$790.00 base filing fee.

A "Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application" will be filed at a later date.

Claim will be made under 35 U.S.C. § 119 for the benefit of the filing date of Japanese Patent Application No. Hei 09-187379 (filed June 27, 1997), a certified copy of which will be filed in due course.

Authorization is given for the charging of any further fee for effecting filing to our Deposit Account 18-1644.

Respectfully submitted,

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